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Devils Lake Woman Sentenced for
Distribution of a Controlled Substance

FARGO - United States Attorney Timothy Q. Purdon announced that on March 28, 2011, **Sandra Miller** of Devils Lake, North Dakota, was sentenced before United States District Court Judge Ralph R. Erickson on a charge of distributing approximately five tablets of 80-milligram prescription pills containing Oxycodone, a Schedule II controlled substance. Miller pleaded guilty to the charge on January 7, 2011.

Judge Erickson sentenced Miller to three years probation with the first six months to be served as home confinement. Miller was ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment to the Crime Victim's Fund.

On May 12, 2010, a confidential informant (CI) set up a deal to purchase five 80-milligram OxyContin pills from Miller. The CI was fitted with a body transmitter and given \$700 in U.S. currency. The CI met Miller at her residence located in St. Michael, North Dakota. The CI purchased four full pills and one half-pill of OxyContin from Miller and paid \$700.

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OxyContin is the trade name for the drug Oxycodone Hydrochloride. OxyContin is a controlled release form of Oxycodone prescribed to treat chronic pain.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Assistant United States Attorney Janice M. Morley prosecuted the case.

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